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[Reports to the Supervising Surgeon-General, United States Marine-Hospital Service.]

Abstract of replies received to circular letter addressed to State boards of health relative to transportation of dead bodies.

[Continued from No. 36.]

CALIFORNIA.

The body of a person dead of a contagious disease will not be allowed entrance into the State for interment. Otherwise, a certificate signed by a duly authorized person in another State, declaring the cause of death to have been other than a contagious disease will be recognized and a permit for interment granted.

Modification of quarantine regulations in Louisiana.

NEW ORLEANS, October 9, 1898.

SIR: I beg to announce to you that the following was issued this day:

[Proclamation.]

Whereas, The prevailing fever, "the yellowoid fever," is noticeable for its mildness, be it ordained that:

(1) All persons from nonquarantined localities are permitted to enter all quarantined localities, but they can not return to the nonquarantined localities, even if these are willing, except under the Atlanta regulations.

(2) All quarantined localities (except Franklin and Wilson) are permitted to hold communication with New Orleans and adjacent quarantined localities: St. Bernard, Plaquemines, St. Tammany (in part), Orleans, St. Charles, Jefferson (Right Bank), St. John.

(3) Persons from quarantined localities intending to go into the quarantined localities "not adjacent to New Orleans" must ascertain before hand upon what conditions they will be received there, viz: St. Mary, Terrebonne, Lafourche, St. James, East Baton Rouge, East and West Felicianas, Iberville, and Rapides.

EDMOND SOUCHON, M. D.,
President Louisiana State Board of Health.

West Tennessee quarantines against points infected with yellow fever.

[Quarantine Order No. 1.]

NASHVILLE, TENN., October 4, 1898.

Whereas, Yellow fever has become epidemic in various points in Louisiana and Mississippi, and bids fair to spread farther before frost; and,

Whereas, West Tennessee and Hamilton County are known to be infectible territory; therefore,

Be it ordained (1), That a quarantine be declared for west Tennessee and Hamilton County against all points now infected, or points which may hereafter become infected, and all territory within a radius of 10 miles of same, until further notice.

(2) That after this date no one will be permitted to enter the above protected territory unless provided with a properly executed health

certificate of the form and requirements as prescribed by the "Atlanta Convention," to wit:

Paragraph 137. Persons from noninfected localities, and who have not been exposed to infection, being allowed to leave without detention, and on leaving such place shall be provided with health certificate of the following form by the legally constituted health authorities of the place:

OFFICE OF BOARD OF HEALTH,
_____, 189—.

Health officer _____.

To whom it may concern:

This is to certify that Mr. _____ has given satisfactory evidence to me that he has been in _____ not less than ten days, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief he has not been exposed to the infection of yellow fever, and has not been in any infected or suspected locality for ten days.

DESCRIPTION.—Age, _____ years. Weight, _____ pounds. Height, _____.

Complexion, _____. Hair, _____. Eyes, _____.

Signature _____.

_____,
Health Officer.

Paragraph 138. When deemed necessary, affidavit shall be required by the health officer.

Paragraph 139. This certificate shall be issued without fee, if issued at any point in infectible territory.

(3) That no one be permitted to enter the above protected territory from infected points in the sense of this ordinance, under any circumstances, until this ordinance is revoked. Parties may, however, pass directly through in closed coaches.

(4) Train crews which stop at infected points must be relayed before the trains can enter the above protected territory.

(5) No freight or express matter will be admitted from infected points unless accompanied by a certificate of inspection or fumigation from the United States Marine-Hospital Service.

(6) Personal effects and household goods will not be admitted under any circumstances into the above protected territory.

(7) No local health officers are permitted to put off refugees within the limits of west Tennessee, or Hamilton County, but refugees will in all cases be escorted in closed coaches by United States Marine-Hospital inspectors to noninfectible territory.

(8) That the United States Marine-Hospital Service be requested to put on train inspectors on all passenger trains traversing the above protected territory, and also to take charge of relay stations during the life of this ordinance.

(9) That detention camps be established on all railroads terminating in infectible territory.

(10) That a violation of any part of this ordinance shall constitute a violation of the State quarantine regulations, under fine and penalty as prescribed by law.

By order State board of health of Tennessee.

J. A. ALBRIGHT, M. D.,
Secretary and Executive Officer.

W. J. McMURRAY, M. D.,
President.